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LOUISVILLE, KY.,
SUNDAY MORNING.....JAN. 27, 1861.

Steamboat Disaster!

Sinking of the Sunny Side!

The steamboat Sunny Side, from Cincinnati, New Orleans, with a full load of freight, touched at Jeffersonville and took on a pilot, and at about three o'clock yesterday afternoon, started to go down over the falls. Just above Smyer's mill she struck a rock, and kept on, but again struck on Ruby's rock and had turned around, careening in a dangerous manner. It was found that she was taking water rapidly, and the steam was put on, and the steamer soon made the New Albany landing. Pumps were quickly rigged, and every effort made to unload the rapidly sinking vessel. The ferry boat Excelsior came alongside, and the freight was transferred as expeditiously as possible. The news of the disaster spread with the quickness that ill news always commands, and the levee was quickly crowded with spectators. Gangs of laborers were employed to work the pumps, and to remove the freight. It was a busy scene.

The captain of the Sunny Side, Mr. Maratta, was conspicuous for his efforts, and no man could do more than Capt. Maratta to remedy the unfortunate catastrophe. At a late hour last night the laborers were still hard at work getting the freight out of her hold, but two tiers will probably be seriously damaged, as the boat was rapidly settling in about eight feet of water. The position, however, was a good one. The lower tiers of freight consist mainly of pork. The light freight was mostly saved. Captain Maratta telegraphed to Cincinnati for a marine pump, which will probably arrive this morning, and entered his protest at New Albany. It was the first trip of the Sunny Side this season, and this is the first misfortune that has happened to her.

The host and cargo were valued at \$100,000. The host was insured for \$18,000 at Pittsburgh, the cargo not at all. However, a large portion of the freight will be saved intact, and a goodly portion will be saved in a damaged condition. The passengers were transferred to the Diana, and proceeded down the river. Among the freight were 1,000 barrels of flour, which were taken on board the Excelsior.

We are indebted to Mr. Will Coles for the above particulars. Will is always obliging and useful.

In an interview with Mr. Croxton yesterday, we were assured by him that his vote against placing the flag on the State Capitol was not intended as a vote against the First and Second Wards. He declares himself a strong Union man, willing to carry out the views and wishes of a majority of his constituency.

He says the following resolution embody his sentiments:

Resolved, That we are in favor of the Crittenden amendment, as a basis for the reconstruction of the South, and the difficulties before the South and the North.

Resolved, That we are in favor of exhausting every constitutional remedy, and all honorable and fair means, and having every material demand for the rights of the South rejected by the Northern States, before we will consider the South to abandon her position in the Union.

These are eminently conservative, quite as conservative as the resolutions passed on Wednesday night. They were offered by Mr. Reaser, as a substitute for the resolution passed at the meeting which censured Mr. Croxton against placing the flag on the Capitol.

Many friends of Mr. Croxton urged the resolutions offered by Mr. Reaser, knowing them to contain his sentiments, and believing that he did not cast his vote from any dianion or accession feeling; and we do not think the resolutions adopted censuring Mr. Croxton, were intended by his constituents as casting upon him any reflection savoring of disloyalty to his country.

We know that the people of the First Legislative District in our city are loyal to the Union, and that they are opposed to calling the Convention. They thought the vote of Mr. Croxton foreclosed his opposition to their wish, and they assembled to express their disapprobation.

The following resolution was also appended to the three above, offered by Mr. Reaser:

Resolved, That, believing the foregoing resolutions could eminently conservative sentiments, and knowing the foregoing resolutions to embody the sentiments of Joseph Croxton, our Representative in the Senate, we are of the belief that the same will be of great service to our political sentiments, or give utterance to any sentiment disloyal to the Union, or disrespectful to our national duty, when we give the vote under consideration to night.

They were all tabled, and the original resolutions, already published in our columns, were adopted, when the meeting adjourned.

We are satisfied that Mr. Croxton did not intend his vote in disregard of the wishes of his constituents. He states that a similar resolution was voted down the previous session.

It was under the impression that it was a vote of patriotism, or of loyalty to the Union, that he voted against placing the flag on the Capitol.

Mr. Croxton's resolutions are sound and conservative. With his explanation, we think his constituents will be satisfied. We have endeavored to place him right before them, and he being satisfied with our explanation, publishes the following card:

A CARD.

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